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regard to the question of placing of the estimates before the House, that is never done. The estimates are prepared by the Chief Engineer and they are approved by the Government. They won't come up for sanction to the House."

SRI C. SUBBARAYUDU :—" During the budget session the Hon. Minister for Public Works said that 25 T.M.C. feet of water was allotted for the High Level Channel. When 150 T.M.C. feet of water is available at the dam site, may I know, Sir, why only 25 T.M.C. feet was allotted and when and by whom it was allotted? "

THE HON. SRI N. RANGA REDDI :—" Sir, I only said that so far as the agreement of 1951 relating to the sharing of waters between Hyderabad and Madras was concerned, the Madras State would get a portion of water of which 25 T.M.C. feet was reserved for the Tungabhadra High Level Channel. This is entirely different from what the hon. Member is asking."

SRI G. NAGABHUSHANAM :—" May I know, Sir, whether the Khosla Committee suggested that the waters intended for the High Level Channel should be diverted to the K.C. Canal and that the High Level Channel should be dropped, and whether that was the reason for delay? "

THE HON. SRI N. RANGA REDDI :—" I may state that it is not very clear from the Khosla Committee Report whether the waters meant for the High Level Channel or the Low Level Channel should be used for the remodelled K.C. Canal, but they have said that Tungabhadra waters can be used for the remodelled K.C. Canal till Siddeswaram is built in the second stage."

Diesel Thermal Station for Kadiri.

* 335 Q.—SRI K. V. VEMA REDDI : Will the Hon. the Minister for Public Works be pleased to state—

(a) whether Rayalaseema Development Board recommended to the Government for the installation of Diesel Thermal Station at Kadiri in Anantapur district and for its inclusion in the current budget;

(b) what is the estimated cost of this scheme;

(c) what is the extent of total acreage of land to be brought under cultivation;

(d) why this scheme has not been taken up; and

(e) when this scheme was investigated and the estimates were prepared?

THE HON. SRI N. RANGA REDDI :—" (a) The answer is in the affirmative.

" (b) Rupees 5·588 lakhs initially rising to Rs. 12·507 lakhs in ten years.

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" (c) The acreage cannot be forecast now with any accuracy. The scheme when implemented will help considerably irrigation under wells.

" (d) The scheme has not been taken up on account of financial stringency. It is proposed to consider it in connection with the final budget.

" (e) The scheme was investigated during 1949–50. The original estimate prepared in 1951 was revised in October 1952 and the revised estimate is as stated in the answer to clause (b)."

Sri K. V. VEMA REDDI :—" As the scheme will help large scale irrigation under wells, will the Government consider executing the scheme as early as possible so as to aid agriculture? "

The Hon. Sri N. RANGA REDDI :—" This will be taken up again in May, Sir."

Sri T. LAKSHIMINARAYANA REDDI :—" Will the Government extend the scheme to the other taluks in Anantapur district? "

The Hon. Sri N. RANGA REDDI :—" I believe the present scheme covers only an area of five villages in Kadiri taluk."

Thiruvazhamkunnu Cattle Farm, Malabar.

* 336 *Q*.—Sri K. C. GOPALAN UNNI : Will the Hon. the Minister for Agriculture be pleased to state—

(a) how many artificial Insemination Officers were appointed in the Thiruvazhamkunnu Cattle Farm in Walluvanad taluk, Malabar district;

(b) the number of cattle inseminated so far and the amount spent for the same;

(c) whether it is a fact that the apparatus for artificial insemination were removed from that farm, but the staff is still retained; and

(d) if so, what is the strength of the staff so retained and the reasons for their retention?

The Hon. Dr. R. NAGAN GOUDA :—" (a) One Veterinary Assistant Surgeon and four Veterinary Livestock Inspectors.

" (b) Thirteen animals were inseminated. No separate expenditure was incurred for the artificial insemination done here.

" (c) With the transfer of the artificial insemination centre from the farm to a breeding area where the scheme is expected to work successfully, the apparatus for the artificial insemination has also been removed from that farm. No staff for artificial insemination work has been retained at the farm.

" (d) Does not arise."